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In re

Patent Application of

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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION UNDER 35 USC § 1.111

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Sir:

In response to the first Office Action on the merits of the present application, dated March 3, 2003 (hereinafter "the Office Action"), Applicants respectfully submit the following request for reconsideration under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 in view of the following amendments and remarks. Transmitted herewith, please find a petition and fee for a three month extension of time, extending the due date for response to the Office Action from June 6, 2003 to September 6, 2003. As September 6, 2003 falls on a Saturday, the response can be timely filed on Monday September 8, 2003. Applicant submits, therefore, that this response is timely filed.

AMENDMENTS

Please amend the title of the application as indicated on page 3.

Please amend the claims of the application as indicated on the listing of claims beginning on page 4.